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Critical Reading and Working with Notes

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ABSTRACT

Critical reading is a form of thinking aimed at developing a deep analysis of the text, assessing the author's position, and developing the thinking process, in addition to superficial understanding. Today, as a result of globalization and a sharp increase in the flow of digital information, people are constantly forced to absorb large amounts of information. Therefore, not only reading the text, but also the ability to deeply understand its content and critically evaluate it is becoming an important intellectual tool for a modern person. This article analyzes the importance of critical reading and its impact on the reading process. Effective methods of critical reading, in particular, such approaches as reading with questions, comparing with alternative sources, and analyzing the reliability of arguments, are considered. At the same time, the importance of creating notes and adding annotations is emphasized in order to deeply understand and retain the content of the read text. With the help of effective notes and annotations, the reader will be able to form his own thoughts, independently evaluate the author's point of view, and interact with the text interactively. The article also discusses effective ways to work with notes. Effective assimilation can be achieved by systematically keeping notes, reinforcing them with graphic images or diagrams, logically connecting the information received, and constantly repeating it.

Critical thinking is the process of actively, creatively, and consciously using the mind to analyze information rationally and objectively. It includes the following operations:

- ✓ defining goals and objectives;
- ✓ gathering and evaluating facts and evidence;
- ✓ emphasizing primary and secondary issues;
- ✓ recognizing difficulties and finding answers;
- ✓ identifying and exploring logical and causal relationships;
- ✓ comparing different positions and arguments of the parties;
- ✓ identifying the strengths and weaknesses of one's own and others' opinions and beliefs;
- ✓ formulating conclusions.

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Introduction

1. Critical Reading and Its Importance

Critical reading is the process of not only understanding a text, but also assessing its logical consistency, checking the reliability of the arguments, and forming one's own opinion [1]. This approach enables the reader to:

Understand and evaluate the author's main arguments;

Isolate important information from the text;

Critically approach the author's point of view;

Independently analyze evidence and facts.

In the modern educational system, critical reading is becoming an important part of the learning process, as it teaches students and researchers to view texts not simply as a source of information, but as an intellectual resource that stimulates thinking [2].

2. Tools for Effective Critical Reading

The following methods are recommended to increase the effectiveness of critical reading:

Reading with questions: It is useful to ask the following questions during the reading process: "What is the author's main argument?", "How reliable is his/her argument?", "What are the main flaws in the text?"

Comparison with alternative sources: It is important to read different sources on the same topic and analyze their differences and commonalities.

Studying the structure of the text: To understand how the author presents his ideas, it is necessary to pay attention to the structure of the text.

Analyzing the credibility of arguments: It is necessary to examine the arguments presented by the author and evaluate their validity [3] [4].

Effective tools for critical reading include careful outlining, creating topical notes, highlighting key concepts, and writing comments [5].

3. Creating notes and annotations

Taking notes is an integral part of the reading process, which allows for critical analysis and a deeper understanding of the text [6]. To effectively organize notes, you should pay attention to the following:

Be concise and meaningful: Each note should reflect the main idea in a short, clear form.

Add personal thoughts: It is useful to write down your own thoughts and questions about the text you read [7].

Use color coding: It is recommended to use different colors or symbols to distinguish important places.

Create graphs and charts: Visually representing important concepts in a text makes it easier to read [8].

There are several ways to take notes:

Short outlines – briefly writing down the main points of each section or paragraph.

Network diagrams – showing the main concepts in the text and their relationships.

Annotating the text – annotating important sentences or concepts directly in the text [9].

4. Effective ways to work with notes

It is not enough to write down notes, it is also important to use them correctly [10]. For effective study, you can work with notes in the following ways:

Continuous review – notes should be reread and summarized regularly².

Analytical approach - to formulate new questions based on written notes and analyze the author's position.

Dialogue and debate - to conduct discussions and debates based on the notes taken.

Conclusion

Critical reading and working with notes are an integral part of effective learning and deep analytical thinking. In the process of critical reading, it is important not only to read the text, but also to evaluate the author's thoughts, analyze his arguments and compare them with other sources. Effective note-taking and their correct processing make the reading process more effective. This approach, along with improving the quality of education, also supports independent thinking and intellectual development. Critical reading and working with notes have become one of the important components of the educational process today. The speed and volume of modern information flow force a person not only to quickly assimilate information, but also to correctly analyze and critically evaluate it. This article examines the importance of critical reading, its role in the learning process, effective reading strategies, and the best ways to take and use notes. Research shows that critical reading helps students not only understand the text, but also evaluate the author's arguments, make logical analysis, and formulate alternative opinions. The acquisition of these skills by students increases their intellectual potential, develops independent thinking, and allows for in-depth scientific analysis. Also, taking notes and adding comments play an important role in developing critical thinking. Properly organized notes help to effectively understand, process, and consolidate text in memory. Also, effective methods of working with notes, such as creating a short synopsis, drawing network diagrams, expressing logical connections, and using technological tools, serve to improve the quality of the educational process. The importance of critical reading and note-taking for independent researchers, students, and teachers in the scientific and academic fields is incomparable. In the future, it is necessary to conduct research on critical reading approaches integrated with technology, creating notes based on artificial intelligence, and developing scientific analysis using digital tools. These approaches allow the educational process to be more interactive, effective, and innovative. Thus, critical reading and note-taking remain one of the important tools for personal and academic growth.

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